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Docket No. 1344.1001/JIM

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

IWAMOTO

U.S. Serial No. 09/014,422

Filed: January 27, 1998



Group Art Unit: 2776

Examiner: Huynh, C

For: INTERACTIVE DATA ANALYSIS SUPPORT APPARATUS
AND MEDIA ON WHICH IS RECORDED AN INTERACTIVE
DATA ANALYSIS SUPPORT PROGRAM

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment comes in response to the Office Action dated November 9, 1999, with a period for response set to expire on February 9, 2000.

The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-22 are pending.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-22 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

On pages 2-5 of the Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1-22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Microsoft Excel 97, published by the Microsoft Corporation, 1997, pages 1-11 (Hereinafter "Excel 97").

Excel 97 is not a proper basis for a 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) rejection. 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)